**Curtailment of expenditure**

5379. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of papers/documents/ information has to be supplied to different Parliamentary Committees by the Department of Culture.

(b) whether it is also a fact that a lot of time is being taken for beautification (such as spiral binding in place of just stapling) of the paper/documents;

(c) if so, whether comparative study with regard to expenditure incurred by the Department of Culture has been conducted with its sister departments; and

(d) what are the details thereof and what steps are being taken to avoid this avoidable expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No sir, only two out of 13 documents were spiral bound.

(c) and (d) No expenditure was incurred for this purpose.

**International/National heritage sites of Himachal Pradesh**

5380. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of historical monuments in Himachal Pradesh which have been identified as international/internal heritage sites;

(b) whether some of them are in a neglected State as necessary protection has not been provided by the Archaeological Survey of India to them; and

(c) the details of such monuments and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to protect such rich heritage in Himachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) There are 39 monuments and sites of national importance under Archaeological Survey of India in Himachal Pradesh, as per list given as statement (See below).

(b) Archaeological Survey of India is not aware of the status of monuments not under its protection.

(c) Question does not arise.

**Statement**

*List of centrally protected monuments/sites under the jurisdiction of Chandigarh Circle*

STATE: HIMACHAL PRADESH

| S.No. | Name of Monument/Sites | Locality |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Ganesh temple | Bharmaur |
| 2. | Laxmi (Lakhana) Devi temple | Bharmaur |
| 3. | Mani Mahesh temple | Bharmaur |
| 4. | Nar Singh temple | Bharmaur |
| 5. | Shri Bajreshwari temple, Badrinath | Chamba |
| 6. | Shri Bansi Gopal temple | Chamba |
| 7. | Shri Chamunda temple | Chamba |
| 8. | Shri Hari Ram temple | Chamba |
| 9. | Shri Laxmi Narian group of temple in Mohalla hathnala | Chamba |
| 10. | Rock sculptures depicting Sita Ram, Hanuman etc. | Chamba |
| 11. | Shri Sita Ram temple Mohalla Bangota | Chamba |
| 12. | Shri Shakti Devi temple | Chhatrari |
| 13. | Katoch Palace | Tira Sujanpur |
| 14. | Narbadeshwar temple including the paintings therein as well as subsidiary shrines within the compound wall | Sujanpur |
| 15. | Temple | Ashapur |
| 16. | Temple of Baijnath | Baijnath |
| 17. | Temple of Sidhnath | Baijnath |
| 18. | Buddhist stupa known as Bhim-ka-Tila | Chaitru |
| 19. | Ruined fort | Kangra |
| 20. | Rock inscription | Khanyara |
| 21. | Fort | Kotla |
| 22. | Rock cut temple with sculptures | Masrur |
| 23. | Ruined fort | Nurpur |
| 24. | Rock inscription | Pathiar |
| 25. | Lord Fl[illegible]ub | Dharamshala |

| S.No. | Name of Monument/Sites | Locality |
|---|---|---|
| 26. | Temple of Basheshar Mahadev at Hat | Bajaura |
| 27. | Temple of Gauri Shankar with sculptures | Dasa |
| 28. | A Miniature stone shiva temple | Jagatsukh |
| 29. | Temple of Gauri Shankar with sculptures | Naggar |
| 30. | Hidamba Devi temple | Manali |
| 31. | Buddhist Monastery | Tabo |
| 32. | Phoo Gumpha | Tabo |
| 33. | Mirkula Devi temple | Udaipur (Lahaul) |
| 34. | Barsela Monuments | Mandi |
| 35. | Panchvaktra Temple | Mandi |
| 36. | Trilokinath Temple | Mandi |
| 37. | Ardhnareshwar Temple | Mandi |
| 38. | Shiva temple | Mangarh |
| 39. | Vice Regal Lodge (Rashtrapati Niwas) | Shimla |

**Position of books published in Indian languages**

5381. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the position of books published in Indian languages, including English, during 1998-99 as recorded in the National Library, Calcutta;

(b) whether it is a fact that copies of all published works are not deposited with the national libraries which is a statutory requirement; and

(c) if so, what remedial measures are contemplated by Government?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) A statement indicating the position is enclosed (See below).

(b) Not more than a small proportion of such books is being received from the publishers.

(c) (i) Advertisements have been put out in the newspapers by National Library, Calcutta drawing attention to the provisions of the law. The Library authorities have also been writing to major publishers from time to time about the need to fulfil their obligation under the law without exception.

(ii) Government of India, Department of Culture is considering steps to amend the Delivery of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act, 1954 to make it more effective.